

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

JAMES HAYDEN,

Plaintiff,

V.

2K GAMES, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

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CASE NO. 1:17-cv-02635-CAB

JUDGE CHRISTOPHER A. BOYKO

## PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE CASES

Plaintiff James Hayden respectfully moves pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42 to consolidate the case entitled *Hayden v. 2K Games, Inc.*, 1:23-cv-01721 (N.D. Ohio) (the “1721 Case”) with the above-captioned case (the “2635 Case”), provided that further fact discovery is limited to Defendants 2K Games, Inc. and Take-Two Interactive Software, Inc. (collectively, “Take-Two”) updating its financial productions for NBA 2K21. As set forth in more detail in the attached Memorandum In Support, the 1721 Case and the 2635 Case share common facts and law, and the effective complaints for both cases are nearly identical. The 1721 Case simply accuses one additional game, NBA 2K21, of infringing the same Asserted Tattoos that are asserted in the 2635 Case. Consolidating these cases will require minimal additional work by the Parties and will not delay the proposed April 14, 2024 trial date, as no new discovery or summary judgment briefing is necessary.

Dated: September 26, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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